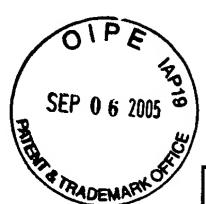
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Sir:

Applicants submit the following Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 in response to the outstanding, final Office Action dated March 2, 2005. The time for responding to this action has been extended to September 2, 2005 by the accompanying Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and payment of fee. The following Amendment in reply to the outstanding final Office Action is submitted per the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (c).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing that begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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